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Security Council

9.45 a.m.	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

Letter dated 22 November 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/920)

Other matters

Morning[1]	5576th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Letter dated 22 November 2006 from the Secretary-Gneral addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/920)

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

Military Staff Committee

11 a.m.–1 p.m.	1601st meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m.	63rd plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Question of Palestine [14]: draft resolutions (A/61/L.31, A/61/L.32, A/61/L.33 and A/61/L.34)
2. The situation in the Middle East [13]: draft resolutions (A/61/L.35 and A/61/L.36)

Informal Working Group on Mandate Review

10 a.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Monday, 4 December 2006, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Protection of civilians in armed conflict". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; fax 1 (212) 963-7878; tel. 1 (212) 963-5263), from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Delegations are also kindly requested to limit their statement to no more than *five minutes*.

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Security Council

As from Tuesday, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

The monthly tentative forecast has been made available on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/sc/>), in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council dated 19 July 2006 (S/2006/507). Copies of the tentative forecast have been placed in the delegations' boxes and may be collected at the delegations' pick-up areas, *as of Monday, 4 December 2006.*

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees

Second Committee

3 p.m. . . . . 32nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions . . . . . [51]

   (a) International trade and development

   Action on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.14

   (d) Commodities

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.2 and A/C.2/61/L.52

2. Sustainable development: Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development . . . . . [53 (a)]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.16 and A/C.2/61/L.51

3. Globalization and interdependence: International migration and development [55 (b)]

   *Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.12 and A/C.2/61/L.47**

4. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions . . . . . [69 (b)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.10/Rev.2

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/61/11, A/61/68, A/60/140, A/60/140/Corr.1, A/58/189, A/56/767 and A/C.5/61/11))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 123 (Human resources management (A/61/255, A/61/255/Add.1, A/61/255/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/228, A/61/257, A/61/257/Add.1, A/61/257/Add.2, A/61/257/Add.3, A/61/319, A/61/274, A/61/201, A/61/537, A/60/310, A/59/716, A/59/786, A/60/861, A/59/388, A/60/262, A/59/724, A/59/526 and A/59/526/Add.1));

Agenda item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Identification of additional resources for the Development Account (A/61/282 and A/61/479)); and

Agenda items 116 and 117 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations; and Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Enhancing the role of the Subregional offices of the Economic Commission for Africa (A/61/471 and A/61/544))

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

Draft report

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Conrad Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda), under agenda item 53 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Mr. Gustavo Ainchil (Argentina), under agenda item 53 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind)

From 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Giza Martins (Angola), under agenda item 57 (a) (Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Facilitator, Mr. Javad Amin-Mansour (Islamic Republic of Iran), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)

From *11.30 a.m.* to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Raja Nushirwan Zainal Abidin (Malaysia), under agenda item 56 (a) (Groups of countries in special situations: Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Benedicto Fonseca Filho (Brazil), under agenda sub-items 53 (d), (e) and (f) — Synergies among the three Rio Conventions

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Kazuo Sunaga (Japan), under agenda item 56 (b) (Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation)

From 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Mr. Andrés Landerretche (Chile), under agenda item 53 (g) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session)

From *4* to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mrs. Deidre Mills (Jamaica), under agenda item 57 (a) (Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)) — Role of microcredit and microfinance in the eradication of poverty

From 4.30 to 6 pm. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 51 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

From 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, Ms. Nicole Ruder (Switzerland), under agenda 53 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction)

From 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Economic and Social Council

Briefing

There will be a briefing for non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, on the General Assembly resolution on "Strengthening of the Economic and Social Council" (A/61/L.24)[1] *today*, 1 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The briefing is organized by the NGO Section, Office of ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and will include a statement by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Ali Hachani (Tunisia).

All are invited to attend. Copies of the resolution will be available in the room. For further information, please contact Ms. Erdwine Antoine, NGO Section, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-8652; e-mail desangosection@un.org).

[1] To be issued as A/RES/61/16.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Friday, 1 December 2006

Informal consultations on programme planning, under agenda item 118 (Third Committee) (convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Lamin Faati (Gambia))

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Back of Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Back of Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the convention on the rights of persons with disabilities, under agenda item 67 (b) (convened by the delegations of Mexico and New Zealand)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 69 (convened by the delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the promotion of interreligious and intercultural dialogue, understanding and cooperation for peace (A/61/L.11), under agenda item 44 (convened by the delegations of Pakistan and the Philippines)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Other meetings

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Friday, 1 December 2006

Group of 77 (on the draft resolutions on: Agenda 21; climate change; International Strategy for Disaster Relief; Convention on Biological Diversity; microfinance; microcredit; commodities; and United Nations University; and report on all Second Committee draft resolutions)

9 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Other activities

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Friday, 1 December 2006

Panel discussion on "Pediatric AIDS: The promise of new public-private partnerships", on the occasion of World AIDS Day (organized by the United States Mission)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Peggy Kerry, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4054; e-mail kerryp@state.gov).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Friday, 1 December 2006

Room S-226

11 a.m. . . . . Mr. Jan Egeland, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator; and Dr. Dennis Makwege Mukengere of the Panzi Hospital in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (on sexual violence)

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesman

1 p.m. . . . . Mr. Bill Roedy, President, MTV Networks International; and Mr. Dali Mpofu, Chief Executive Officer, South African Broadcasting Corporation (on the Global Media AIDS Initiative)

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 4 December 2006

General Assembly
Sixty-first session

10 a.m. . . . . 64th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict . . . . . [10]
   (a) Letter from Botswana transmitting the report on the progress made towards the implementation of the Kimberly Process Certification Scheme (A/61/589)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/61/L.27)
2. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/450) . . . . . [33]
3. Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/451)[1] [75]
4. Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/452) . . . . . [76]

[1] To be issued.

5. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-ninth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/453) . . . . . [77]

6. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-eighth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/454)[1] . . . . . [78]

7. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/455) . . . . . [79]

8. The rule of law at the national and international levels: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/456)[1] . . . . . [80]

9. Measures to eliminate international terrorism: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/457)[1] . . . . . [100]

10. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/458)[1] . . . . . [110]

11. Programme planning: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/459) . . . . . [118]

12. Administration of justice at the United Nations: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/460) . . . . . [128]

13. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/461)[1] . . . . . [148]

14. Requests for observer status in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/462) . . . . . [153]

15. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin: draft resolution (A/61/L.15/Rev.1)[1] . . . . . [43]

16. Culture of peace: draft resolution (A/61/L.16) . . . . . [44]

17. Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS: draft decision (A/61/L.40) . . . . . [46]

18. Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations . . [108]

(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations: draft resolution (A/61/L.13)

(e) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community: draft resolution (A/61/L.29)

(q) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference: draft resolution (A/61/L.26)

(r) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum: draft resolution (A/61/L.20/Rev.1)

(s) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization: draft resolution (A/61/L.18)

(t) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community: draft resolution (A/61/L.37)

[1] To be issued.

Main Committees

Second Committee
Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. José Antonio Doig (Peru), under agenda item 53 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind) — Recognition of the Caribbean Sea as a special area in the context of sustainable development

Monday, 4 December 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 26th meeting on Monday, 4 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 26th meeting, and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Monday, 4 December 2006, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities
Resumed eighth session

The Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities will hold its 21st meeting on Tuesday, 5 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. All relevant documentation of the Ad Hoc Committee is available at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/enable/rights/ahc8.htm>.

Disarmament Commission
Organizational session

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Wednesday, 6 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. All Member States are invited to attend.

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Room XVII, at the Palais des Nations.

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on programme planning, under agenda item 118 (Third Committee) (convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Lamin Faati (Gambia))

Monday, 4 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 1.

Other forthcoming meetings

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UNITAR Workshop on International Trade and the Doha Round, in collaboration with the World Trade Organization (WTO)

Monday, 4 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. (at the Permanent Mission of Nigeria);

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Friday, 8 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

[For further information and registration, please visit <www.unitarny.org>; or contact Ms. Sarah Rosengaertner, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; rosengaertner@un.org).]

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

African Group (Second Committe experts)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Briefing and informal exchange of ideas with delegates regarding the open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests (New York, 11–15 December 2006) (organized by the Bureau of the seventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests and the secretariat of the Forum)

Friday, 8 December 2006, in Conference Room 2:

African States Group: from 10 to 11.30 a.m.;

Asian States Group: from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Eastern European Group: from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m.;

Latin American and Caribbean States Group: from 3 to 4.30 p.m.; and

Western European and Other States Group: from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

UNITAR/UNU Seminar on "The role and functions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations"

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in *Conference Room 8*; and

Tuesday, 19 December 2006, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 8*.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Other forthcoming activities

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Panel discussion on "E-accessibility", on the occasion of the International Day of Disabled Persons, and presentation of the results of global Web accessibility audit (organized by the Secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities)

Monday, 4 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Vanessa Edwards (e-mail edwardsv@un.org).]

Meeting of the Women's International Forum, with the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the topic "The past ten years and beyond" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.]

Briefing on "Carbon dioxide capture and storage" (organized by the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Friedrich Soltau, Division for Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 963-4337; fax 1 (212) 963-9883; e-mail soltau@un.org).]

High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org).]

International Conference on Enhancing Security at Major World Events (organized by the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marina Mazzini, UNICRI (e-mail mazzini@unicri.it); or Mr. Janos Tisovszky, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (917) 367-2068; fax 1 (212) 963-9737; e-mail tisovszky@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Extractive Industries Transparency Intiative: Improving transparency and accountability in the extractive industries, and promoting improved governance in resource rich countries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom)

Thursday 7 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sam Pass, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (tel. 1 (212) 745-9215; e-mail samantha.pass@fco.gov.uk).]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent *by Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child; and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 30 November 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

61st plenary meeting

Question of Palestine . . . . . [14]

(a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/61/35)

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/335)

(c) Draft resolutions (A/61/L.31, A/61/L.32, A/61/L.33 and A/61/L.34)

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco, Lebanon, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the Syrian Arab Republic, China, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Viet Nam, Indonesia, Algeria, Lesotho, Oman, Canada, India, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Norway, Japan, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The representative of the United States made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The observer of Palestine made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The situation in the Middle East . . . . . [13]

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/298 and A/61/355)

(b) Draft resolutions (A/61/L.35 and A/61/L.36)

The representative of Egypt made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolutions A/61/L.35 and A/61/L.36.

62nd plenary meeting

The situation in the Middle East . . . . . [13]

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/298 and A/61/355)

(b) Draft resolutions (A/61/L.35 and A/61/L.36)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 13.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Finland (on behalf of the European Union and aligned countries) and the United Arab Emirates.

The observer of Palestine made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Bahrain, Switzerland, Jordan, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Argentina (also on behalf of Brazil) and Turkey.

The General Assembly was informed that action on draft resolutions A/61/L.31, A/61/L.32, A/61/L.33, A/61/L.34, A/61/L.35 and A/61/L.36 would be taken at a later date.

Main Committees

Third Committee

54th meeting

Report of the Human Rights Council . . . . . [68]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Draft decision A/C.3/61/L.58

The representative of Namibia withdrew the draft decision, on behalf of the members of the African Group.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of the report of the Human Rights Council (A/61/53).

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 68.

Programme planning . . . . . [118]

The Committee agreed to defer consideration of the item to its next meeting, with a view to allowing more time for further consultations.

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly . . . . . [110]

Programme of work of the Third Committee for the sixty-second session of the General Assembly (A/C.3/61/L.61)

The Committee adopted its tentative programme of work, as submitted by the Chairman in document A/C.3/61/L.61, and decided to transmit it to the plenary of the General Assembly for approval.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 110.

Other matters

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Antigua and Barbuda, Egypt, Cuba, Namibia (on behalf of the Group of African States), Finland (on behalf of the Group of Western European and Other States), Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States), South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Nigeria, Pakistan (on behalf of the Group of Asian States), the Syrian Arab Republic, New Zealand (on behalf of the JUSCANZ Group), Azerbaijan (on behalf of the members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference) and Qatar (on behalf of the Group of Arab States).

The Chairman also made a statement.

Fifth Committee

25th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 . . . . . [117]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Acting Under-Secretary-General for Management introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the Capital master plan (A/61/549).

The Committee had before the report of the Board of Auditors on the capital master plan (A/61/5 (Vol. V)).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/61/595).

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the EFTA countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine and Moldova, which aligned themselves with the statement), Australia (on behalf of Canada, New Zealand and Australia), Guyana (on behalf of the Rio Group), the United States, the Republic of Korea, Japan, Switzerland and China.

The Acting Under-Secretary-General for Management replied to questions raised.

The representative of the Russian Federation also made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Egypt, Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Jordan, the Syrian Arab Republic, India, the United States, Ukraine and the Russian Federation.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Secretary of the Committee replied to questions raised.

Economic and Social Council

2006 resumed substantive session

45th meeting

Elections . . . . . [1]

Committee for Programme and Coordination

The Council nominated France for election by the General Assembly to the Committee for Programme and Coordination for a three-year term, beginning on 1 January 2007.

Oral decision

Upon the proposal of the President, the Council decided to further postpone the nomination of a member from the Group of Western European and Other States for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term, beginning on 1 January 2007.

Committee for Development Policy

The Council approved the nomination by the Secretary-General of the 24 experts listed in document E/2006/9/Add.18 for a three-year term, beginning on 1 January 2007.

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Council elected, by acclamation, Mr. Zhan Daode (China), to complete the unexpired portion of Mr. Yongxiang Shen's term of office.

Organization of work

The President of the Council made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on Transit Trade of Land-locked States. New York, 8 July 1965

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods. New York, 14 June 1974

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods. Vienna, 11 April 1980

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mrs. Mirjana Mladineo

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

Western European and other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri

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	Sixty-first session
A/61/PV.12	Meeting held on 20 September 2006, 10 a.m. [F]
A/61/PV.22	Meeting held on 27 September 2006, 10 a.m. [F]
A/61/PV.27	Meeting held on 9 October 2006, 3 p.m. [S]
A/61/PV.31	Meeting held on 13 October 2006, 3 p.m. [A E]
A/61/PV.32	Meeting held on 16 October 2006, 10 a.m. [A E]
A/61/PV.33	Meeting held on 16 October 2006, 3 p.m. [A E]

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A/61/419	Item 50 — Information and communication technologies for development — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/421	Item 52 — Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/458	Item 110 — Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/460	Item 128 — Administration of justice at the United Nations — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/521/Corr.1	Item 139 — Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea — Revised budget for the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.20/Rev.1	Item 108 (r) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum — Armenia, Australia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Croatia, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Fiji, Grenada, Guatemala, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Israel, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Nauru, New Zealand, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Romania, Saint Lucia, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu, Ukraine, United States of America, Vanuatu and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of): draft resolution [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.30	Item 71 (a) — Oceans and the law of the sea — Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Cape Verde, Cyprus, Finland, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Jamaica, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Namibia, New Zealand, Norway, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Tonga and United States of America: draft resolution [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.36*	Reissued for technical reasons [S]
A/61/L.37	Item 108 (t) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community — Angola, Belgium, Botswana, Cape Verde, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Japan, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Timor-Leste, Togo, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe: draft resolution [A C E F R S]
	Third Committee
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S/2006/921	Qatar: draft resolution [A C E F R S]
S/2006/922	Third report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Integrated Office in Sierra Leone [A C E F R S]
S/2006/923	Letter dated 30 October 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
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